

the Black Student Union. He later transferred to Rutgers University, where he refined his writing skills under the guide of renowned playwrights and authors Nikki Giovanni and Sonya Sanchez. After earning his Bachelor of Arts in English from Rutgers University in 1972, he pursued a Master's Degree in Fine Arts at the University of California, Los Angeles.

After graduation, his talent as a writer led him to compose two critically acclaimed plays "Homer's Redemption" and "Resurgence," which ran at the Harding Theater in San Francisco for six months before touring college campuses. The University of San Francisco Black Alumni Association later awarded him an honorary degree in English and Theater Arts for his outstanding contributions.

While his literary success is noteworthy, Mr. Ivey continued to evolve and use his talents to contribute to his community in new capacities. In 1976, he opened Ivey's Ribs and Spirits in Jack London Square with brothers Fred and James "Jay" Ivey. Ivey's was one of the first African American operated venues located in Jack London Square, and was the frequent gathering place for elected officials, community leaders, as well as local and national celebrities. Mr. Ivey's love of community, passion for art, and the amazing food he served gave way to the development of another Ivey's in Atlanta, Georgia. Those two restaurants soon grew to nine restaurants and lounges including Bluesville, Cherie's, Du Soleil's, and Clancy's. The environment he created welcomed artists from all mediums including the Commodores, Prince, Eartha Kitt, Jane Fonda, Phyllis Hyman, Stan Getz, Coretta Scott King, and James Baldwin.

When Mr. Ivey retired from the restaurant business he began to partake in a new adventure. Mr. Ivey could be found cooking delicious meals, reading (and sharing his findings) voraciously, running Lake Merritt or traveling the globe. He combined passion for food, family, and writing, when he worked with his mother to publish Rosia Lee Ivey's Recipes For Life in 2008. In this book, he wittily incorporated her words of wisdom with her phenomenal culinary knowledge.

He also worked with numerous community organizations to mentor inner-city youth. His goal was to support and inspire the leaders of tomorrow. At the time of his passing, Mr. Ivey was actively working with Oakland Youth First, a nonprofit organization committed to providing wraparound, career and educational services to at-risk youth.

Mr. Ivey was also an avid traveler. He visited Fiji as one of fifteen Bay Area Black Community and Business Delegates, China as part of a trade mission, and Tunisia, Morocco, Casablanca and Malaga among countless other destinations. No matter where his journey took him he always came back to the place where it all began, always ready to serve the community he called home.

On a personal note, to know John was to love John. His smile was infectious, his encouragement was inspiring and his creativity was magical. John was a renaissance man, a man ahead of his time. As a role model for young African American men and boys, he gave them hope and pride. We will miss this magnificent human being, but his legacy will live forever.

Today, California's 13th Congressional District salutes the legacy of Mr. John Arthur Ivey. His contributions have truly impacted countless lives throughout the Bay Area and the country. I join all of Mr. Ivey's loved ones in celebrating his incredible life and offer my most sincere condolences.

#### HONORING THE LIFE OF RICHARD ROTH

#### HON. TED LIEU

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 25, 2016*

Mr. TED LIEU of California. Mr. Speaker, Richard Roth was a remarkable, kind and loving man. He passed away peacefully with his son David, daughter-in-law Anita, and their girls at his side. Richard was a gentle and generous soul who loved politics, discussions, and laughter. But most of all, he loved his son, David. Richard strived throughout his very long life to encourage David to be the very best in everything he did.

Richard was energetic and active well into his 80s; making frequent trips from California to the Fiji Islands to visit with David and Anita. He told fascinating, colorful tales of joining David, Anita and the King of Tonga at the Sydney Opera House for a special gala in honor of the King. In later years, Richard followed David and Anita to Florida, where he lived peacefully in a condo overlooking the Atlantic Ocean.

David's love for his father was unsurpassed. Last year, during Richard's 95th year, David took his father on a private, personal trip together to Israel. That trip had been one of Richard's lifelong dreams, and he got to make the trip with his beloved son.

Always bright, inquisitive and cheerful, Richard enjoyed life to the fullest. His kindness to so many will not be forgotten by any who knew him.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF INOVA LOUDOUN HOSPITAL

#### HON. BARBARA COMSTOCK

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 25, 2016*

Mrs. COMSTOCK. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge the Children's Emergency Room at Inova Loudoun Hospital for serving my constituents so meticulously every day. The work done by the doctors and nurses at this facility has led to them being recognized by the Emergency Nurses Association with the presentation of the prestigious Lantern Award.

Named in honor of Florence Nightingale, a pioneer of modern nursing practices, this award recognizes top quality emergency departments and staff for their extraordinary performance and innovative procedures, as well as their outstanding roles of leadership, advocacy, and research. The Children's Emergency Room at Inova Loudoun Hospital is only one of eleven emergency rooms nationwide to have received this award, and I could not be

more proud of them for receiving this high honor.

This award serves as proof of Inova Loudoun Hospital's commitment to providing the best care possible, while also fostering a healthy work environment for their staff. The Children's Emergency Room opened in 2006 to meet the needs of the growing population in this part of my district. The facility treats nearly 20,000 patients annually, and remains the only emergency room in the county dedicated to the care of children.

Mr. Speaker, I ask my colleagues to join me in congratulating the doctors, nurses, and administrators at the Children's Emergency Room at Inova Loudoun Hospital for receiving the Lantern Award from the Emergency Nurses Association. I wish them all continued success, and thank them for diligently serving my constituents.

#### IN HONOR OF U.S. ARMY CORPORAL AND WARRIOR GAMES TEAM ARMY MEMBER MATHEW MUELLER

#### HON. KYRSTEN SINEMA

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Monday, July 25, 2016*

Ms. SINEMA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor retired U.S. Army Corporal and Warrior Games Team Army member Mathew Mueller.

Corporal Mueller was born and raised in Fort Morgan, Colorado. After graduating from high school, Corporal Mueller found his passion in emergency medicine and used this calling to serve our country in the United States Army as a Combat Medic.

On January 1, 2014, while preparing for his second combat deployment, Corporal Mueller was driving to his home town when his vehicle lost control on black ice. Corporal Mueller broke his neck and all the bones on the right side of his face leaving him visually impaired due to double vision and residual damage to his face.

Corporal Mueller spent 10 months in intense physical therapy and rehabilitation. One year after the accident, he was transferred to a Warrior Transition Unit, designed to help wounded, ill, and injured soldiers transition to civilian life. It was there that he was introduced to adaptive sports.

Through adaptive sports, Mueller competed in two Department of Defense Warrior Games. He participates in track, field, swimming and cycling. In the 2015 Warrior Games Mueller took home 9 gold, and 5 silver medals, and at the 2016 Warrior Games Mathew took home 10 gold, 1 silver, and 1 bronze medals.

Mueller retired from the Army in December 2015, after nearly 6 years of service. He now resides in Phoenix, Arizona with his wife and family. Corporal Mueller's unwavering commitment to greatness inspires all who know him. We honor his achievements, and thank him for his incredible service and sacrifice.